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Tribute to Comrade Frederick O. MacCartney

Rockland, Mass., May 29 .- Thousands paid their tribute of respect and esteem to Representative Frederick O. MacCartney yesterday afternoon, and the funeral was one of the largest ever held in the town. The church on Webster street, where Mr. MacCartney was pastor for so many years, was handsomely decorated with flowers, and thronged with sincere mourners from all grades of society.

The body was taken from his former home on Pacific street in the forenoon and delegations of Red Men and the Socialist Club accompanied the body to the church, where it lay in state from 9 until the time for holding the services.

During the services the stores in the town and the public schools were closed, and the flags upon all of the public buildings of the town hung at half staff. The exercises commenced promptly at 2 and there were organ selections by Prof. William F. Burrell, of Brockton, who played several of the compositions of Rev. Mr. MacCartney, who was an amateur musician of rare ability.

The anthem "I Shall Be Satisfied" was sung by a quartette consisting of Miss Mildred Shaw, Miss Sadie French, Edward Rudkin and F. W. McConney. A poem appropriate to the occasion was read by Rev. A. L. Weatherly, of Worcester, a warm friend of Mr MacCartney's, and then followed the reading of scripture and prayer by Rev. W. R. Lord, pastor of the local society. A solo was contributed by Miss Edith L. Poole, and an address was delivered by Rev. A. L. Weatherly, which was in part as follows:

"My friend and your friend was a many-sided man. Many thought of him as a man who loved contest, to be in the thick of the fight, but he loved peace and quiet, and hated strife and struggle. Let no man dare say that he sought anything else but to serve God and man. He gave up peace, quiet and that he might work, because he believed he was called to do that work. He taught me once, when I had no faith, and showed me the light, and so he had led others - higher and better faith. When he went into his work he knew the selfishness of man, and yet he faced it, and by the purity of his life and winsomeness of character he won your love, confidence and respect. Honor him by making your life like his, by living in his spirit."

The eulogy was given by Representative James F. Carey, of Haverhill, a close friend and colleague of Mr. MacCartney in the legislature. Mr. Carey was much affected by the death of his friend, and spoke briefly, saying in part:

"That such men have lived is the glory of the race. That such men must die is its sorrow. The need of the times called for men. With joy he responded. Progress anointed him one of her priests.

"He loved mankind, for in each man he saw the basis of mighty possibilities. He labored that they might be attained, and though giant wrongs must be uncrowned, though aucient privilege must be hurled down, though a long night of misunderstanding by friends and misrepresentations by others who knew him not must be passed through, he did not hesitate. Personal ease, material advancement and comfort appealed to him in vain. For him it was better to battle in the dark for the right than to rest content in the glitter of the wrong.

"Those who saw him in battle wondered at his intensity. They did not know that as he fought he heard the tears of the children of the poor dropping like rain; he heard the heart strings of workingwomen break; he saw the very soul of workingmen grow black with the wrongs they endured. Sceing this, feeling this, he fought strongly, almost fiercely, that it might end.

"His faith was not bounded by the confines of a sect. His was the faith of man. He dreamed of a future day when the world around the race would clasp hands in a mighty brotherhood.

"His was the statesmanship that no arbitrary lines of race or creed or nation could circumscribe. His statesmanship knew no aim lower than the elevation and ennoblement of all the people of all the earth. Men said, 'What of dividends?' He said, 'What of man?'

"Men live and strive today for profits. He lived and sacrificed for human progress. Like the sower who may not live to reap the harvest, yet the joy of sowing was his, the joy of sowing the seeds of liberty, of equality, of fraternity—the flowers of human achievement that will yet 'burst full blossomed on

"He longed for equality. Death has given him what man is today denied. The triumph of the cause for which he gave his all will be his monument. The merriment of children, the happiness of women, the deep-fibred joy of men in the grander day for which he fought and hoped will be his epitaph.

"MacCartney-Comrade of mine! Soldier in the army of the workers of the world-living, you earned the right to life; you have earned the right to rest. May you sleep well!"-Haverhill Evening Gazette.

HIS LAST EARTHLY ACT

Boston, May 29. - The following letter is self-explanatory:

attention at t connection with the death of Representative Frederic O. MacCartney of Rockland. During the past two months he had been the special object of attack and misrepresentation through the distortion of an address on "Why Women Should Be Socialists" he delivered in Boston for the Women's Socialist Club.

It was made to appear that Mr. MacCartney, speaking as a representative of the Socialist party, was opposed to marriage and the home. A man of refinement and keen sensibilities, and imbued with the utmost reverence for all that is worth revering in womanhood, he had felt this misrepresentation of his real sentiments most deeply, as only such a man could feel it.

In view of this, it was more than a coincidence that the last public act Mr. MacCartney ever performed was to officiate, in his capacity as a Unitarian minister, at the marriage ceremony of the undersigned at Haverhill on the day that he was seized with his fatal illness. That act has now a special significance, because it gave refutation to the slander which had caused him so much pain during the last two months of his noble life. WILLIAM MAILLY.

-Haverhill Evening Gazette.

An intellectual prostitute is no better than the other kind. And there are more of them, too.

The trade union that declines to discuss Socialism as a means of bettering the condition of its members must have a queer conception of its mission.

A correspondent of the Typographical friends of labor.

We admit that class hatred is not a very pleasant thing. That's why want to abolish it.

A Socialist administrative act declared unconstitutional by a capitalist supreme court is not much of a "reform." must have the "whole works."

The switchmen's union must be all Journal complains that there is too right. D. M. Parry has contributed \$20 much Socialism in the Journal. It won't toward a fund for the entertainment of be very long before there will too much its members at their national convention Socialism not only in the trade journals, in Indianapolis. The boys ought to rebut also in the unions for the health of ciprocate and make him an honorary the old party heelers masquerading as member. Wonder if Parry has political aspirations.

Profit is only a polite name for rob-

Competition is dead! Long live co-

A contented wage slave is Teddy's idea of a good citizen.

In union there is strength but in Socialism there is justice.

Individuality counts for nothing without the opportunity for its expression. A paid-up dues card in the Socialist

party is the best kind of life insurance

When slaves begin to think their chains begin to clink, and shatter link

The announcement that coal has gone up another notch assures us that Baer is still looking after our interests.

All men are entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, but the only thing the majority gets is the pur-

About the only time the capitalist press takes any notice of the Socialists is when some alleged "Socialist" threatens to shoot the president.

One hundred "representative citizens" of Dubuque sat down to a banquet with President Roosevelt at \$15 per plate. How's that for a fool dinner pail?

Conspicuous among those who rode in carriages in the presidential parade and sat on the platform at the speechmaking were the laboring men of Dubuqueconspicuous by their absence.

There are but two economic classescapitalists and wage workers. Politically there are also only two classes-capitalists and Socialists. Of the former the majority are, however, capitalists without capital.

There is more truth than fiction in the remark of the Irishman who said that after all the good things are pretty evenly distributed in this world-the rich get the ice in the summer, and the poor get it in the winter.

President Roosevelt came to Dubuque, made a plea for good citizenship and a strong army and a large navy to everlastingly knock the stuffings out of the good citizens of other countries. Talk about practicality! It's something strenuous!

Our opponents have been unable to imagine any of the calamities which they claim will occur under Socialism. They have been compelled to draw on the stock of calamities produced by capitalism. And they have an abundance to select from.

A memorial meeting in honor of the late Frederic O. MacCartney was held in Boston on May 30 under the auspices of the Socialist local. Among well known speakers were Jas. F. Carey, H. Gaylord Wilshire, William Mailly and the Socialist mayors of Haverhill and Brockton, Parkman B. Flanders and Chas. H. Coulter.

According to press dispatches Presi dent Roosevelt discussed the labor question in his public speech at Joliet, Ill. He declared that any man who sought to inspire hatred among citizens through creed, class or wealth was a curse to this country. No doubt this was intended as a stab under the clavicle for the Socialist party. However we do not know of anybody who is doing more to accomplish that very thing than the president himself-unless it's David M.

Comrade J. Alfred LaBille, secretary of Local Omaha, takes us to task for not having published certain resolutions adopted by Local Omaha and considerable correspondence relative thereto rehaving printed a dozen lines concerning his meetings in Omaha. We would have considerably if we were to attempt the publication of even a synopsis of all the resolutions adopted by various locals in condemnation of some action of this, seems to be considered by some as the only test of the genuine Socialist.

Is Faithful "Copper," the "Con Man" and Uncle Wayback



A "gold brick" transaction that occurred just previous to the last municipal election. The malfeasance of the "copper" was pointed out by the Socialists in the campaign, but Uncle Wayback gave the "cop" another two-year job, and poor Uncle has not yet discovered that he was "gold bricked."

The Deadly Parallel

In romantic days of old when armor'd knights were bold And chivalry held its glamor'd sway; If the people's right of might was impugn'd they'd rise and fight In the good old-fashioned feudalistic way. The haughty barons then were a naughty class of men, Who frequently, 'tis noted, got too gay. They didn't do a thing to their country or their king. Whichever bid to prove the choicest prey.

With battle-ax and lance they'd lead a merry dance. And like as not they'd make the piper pay. They'd set the people by the ears and prod their knavish rears If they didn't want to join the jolly fray. Until in course of time it became a sort of crime To respect your neighbor's right to work or play. And if we suffer now 'tis just because we bow To the myth that's handed down from that medieval day. In these modern days of gold the trusts are growing bold, And magnates hold their undisputed sway They "swipe" the franchise right to water, rail, and light In the most enlightened capitalistic way. The haughty barons now have got the earth in tow. And underwrite our chance to breathe or pray. If the sun was not too far they'd list his stock at par And deal in corner'd options on every thermal ray. They never do a thing to their country, for the ring Pursues the private policy to make the public pay. And constructs the law so lax that their class may dodge the tax, And pluck the downy plumage from the Crand-Old Party jay. They set the people by the ears with economic fears. And commercialize the heathen in their kind expansive way-But the flag which rules the wars flies the \$ mark for stars, And the minstrel of romance must sing the modern lay.

Robert Bielby.



THE OF STREET GAR STRIKE

Remember the strike!

At the election next spring.

*** There is an ominous silence at the bility of strikes. city hall.

The erstwhile "friend of labor" of election time is remarkably mum on labor's rights after he gets the office and there is a strike on.

If there had been a Socialist city council in control at the time the franchise was given the Union Electric Co. there would not now be a strike.

There is a great deal of talk about the rights of the public in this strike. Unfortunately the public has no rights. Its rights were given away by the city three men, or rather this principle, this

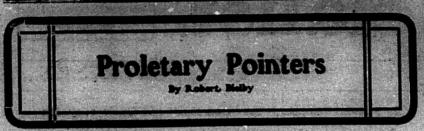
The rank foolishness of the public in having allowed itself to be placed at the mercy of the grasping corporation is equalled only by the stupidity of the dog that licks the hand that smites it.

. Of course it's all right. The interests garding Walter Thomas Mills, and for of the public will be better taken care of by the "representative citizens" and "leading business men," who constitute to enlarge the size of The Iowa Socialist the council, than the public could do it themselves, or the "fool workingmen" who were candidates on the Socialist ticket who would, in their zeal for the move on and operated. And the men interests of their class, have demanded that or the other comrade, and which proper conditions of employment and be "furrin" or even "Dutch," but it's decent wages for the street car employes. Of course, if the Socialists had also walking-"don'd it?"

been in control of the state legislature they would have enacted legislation enabling the city to own its street car lines and thus forever do away with the possi-

Some people seem to be under the impression that three men stand in the way of a settlement of the strike-the three men who were discharged by the company, two of them officers of the union and the other a member of the committee which presented the agreement to the company. They seem to overlook the principle involved-the right to organize. The discharge of the officers of a union or members of a committee delegated to negotiate an agreement, if permitted by the union, is tantamount to an admission of its inefficiency and spells dissolution. Back of these right to organize, stand not only the seventy odd members of the union but every union man in the city. Not three, but more than three thousand.

The city administration of Berlin, Germany, is socialistic by a large majority, in fact, it is composed altogether of Socialists. A few years ago there was a strike on the street car system. The mayor notified the company that if it did not operate its cars within twentyfour hours the city would take over the system and operate it for the public good. The company immediately got a got what they wanted, too. This may good common sense-and better than



nize the spirit of Caiaphas and Annas, that the circumstantial evidence of the which prevailed at the tribunal of the Crucifixion, presiding at the modern ar- of its frivolous flippancy, and be preraignment of Socialism before the bar sented with the accompaniment of reaof reason.

The same bitter animus against innovation; the same intrigue to retain supremacy at whatever cost; the same misrepresentation and distortion of facts to sibilities, and amounts to this: obtain conviction regardless of the best interests of humanity; and the same subjection of the better side of nature to the unreasoning forces of jealousy and hatred are evidenced today as factors in the preliminary discussion of a system which proposes by the removal of the petitive prosperity to the plane of aggreeconomic war of competition to induce an environment in which the intellectual homo may have a more untrammeled mainspring of commercialism? Are you field of speculation in which to work out ready to "Do unto others that which his salvation.

"Socialism's all right, but it's too good!" "I'd vote for Socialism, but it'll never work!" "Oh, don't bother methe republicans, Socialists and democrats are all tarred with the same stick -you can't fool me!" These are a few of the stock objections.

For heaven's sake how long will you go on convicting yourselves of political inefficiency to enforce the principles of democracy, and by your own word of mouth continue to insult the doctrine of Christianity under which you live by refusing to believe in its efficacy! Are you all on the "dead level?" Must the prerequisite for political preferment be the undoubted right to shelter yourself under the genealogical tree of Iscariot? If Socialism is too good for anybody but Socialists, why, as a sane method of improving your moral standard, we would capitalist on the strength of your adadvise you to become one yourself.

Don't be afraid that the Socialist is offering you something for nothing. All the wealth of a Rockefeller could not inhe wants is your own co-operation to obtain for YOURSELF that which is justly due to you, and you will find work enough cut out for you for a few generations to come to get it.

only Socialists, and cannot help stating to capitalism. the truth at the expense of your amaze-

At the first sight, and from the competitive standpoint, it does look unreasonable that one man should take an interest in another's welfare without setting his price on the accommodation. Individuals have been crucified and burned at the stake for daring to do that very thing. But aside from the purely pace of an army must necessarily be the equalized means advocated by Socialpace of the slowest," and as the univer- ism. l marching order of Progress has not yet been rescinded, we wish to bring up the scattered rear guard to a position of evolutionary efficiency in the battle for civilization. We recognize the truth of the universal brotherhood, and the fact rather not concern themselves unless that injury to the one must, by reflex action, militate to the detriment of the interest but if the truth of the assertions whole community. Therefore, while made are doubted, we would suggest our interest in your well being may seem to be suspiciously Utopian, you may calm your fears with the assurance that in the advancement of the body politic the sentimental basis of abstract to a higher plane of integrity we do not intend to leave ourselves behind.

We know that you are not yet used to this combination of the principles of Christianity applied in a practical man ner; we know that you have suffered so of the royal rose from its modest promuch from the spoils system that you instinctively seek for the motive of self- one step further in God's floriculture, interest beneath the surface of any and and propose by scientific methods to inevery policy whatsoever, whether it be formulated in perfect honesty or with deceptive intent-and we acknowledge that they will no longer wound the that a Socialist rogue would be just as nervous sensibilities of those who by the hateful as a rogue under any other name.

But, we ask you to temper your objury of the assembled people for consid- ies of church and state. eration of the evidence accumulated in history in a fair, impartial manner, and

It is with deep sorrow that we recog- for their co-operation in our demand anti-Socialist agitators shall be stripped son, truth and practicality which the occasion demands. The question is not of mere policy concerning a state, principality, or even a continent. It involves the whole world in its far-reaching pos-

> Has the civilized world in this immediate cycle of progress evolved a moral sense of justice so commensurate with its material advance as to insure the safety of the step from individual comgate co-operative prosperity? Is the world ready to discard selfishness as the you would they do unto you?"

The answer cannot be given in good faith without a fairly complete apprehension of the conditions which have led up to the present status of government by capital, and more or less inert opposition by the proletariat-and all we ask is that you suffer us to present Your side of the question for your own judgment without being suborned to oppose us by the dominant aspect of the dollar which is held to focus your attention by the class who claim it as their god-namely, the capitalists.

When you listen to a Socialist speaker place at least a little faith in him as a man, if not as a politician. Don't be disturbing your intellectual apprehension by mental calculations as to the percentage of the admission he is going to receive. He will not develop into a mission fee, and many of the earnest workers in the movement have at times suffered from public indignities which demnify to an honest self-respecting man. If you are liberal enough to accept the truth without an affidavit, you may take the word of a Socialist that the majority of the workers in the cause could command a much larger share of We can imagine your incredulity at this world's goods in less strenuous this statement-but spare us-we are walks of life than organizing opposition

It must not be forgotten that the leaders of the Socialist movement have attained their proficiency, or labor value, under the present competitive system at an individual cost, or investment of energy-and therefore must expect to receive return on that investment on the same basis until the majority, by their vote, shall have signified their willingness to co-operate with him in exchange ethical view, we recognize that "the of service by the more rational and

We know that the truth is not always palatable, and that questions arise in the discussion of social problems with which a large number of people would impelled by the sting of a keen personal that you take the trouble to consult data and reference before denying the concrete premises of an argument on purity. We appreciate the poetical aspect of the grandeur of our civilization as much as you do. We honor the tremendous store of culture and unswerving effort which has been expended to evolve the full rich bloom and delicate aroma genitor of the field; but we are going corporate the thorns into the general structure of the stem in such a manner force of circumstances are compelled to work in the garden without gloves. We servation with that justice which allows oases in the panorama of civilization as the presumption of innocence until guilt the high light or publicity is unceasis proved. We plead with the grand ingly played upon them by the dignitar-

But we have a searchlight of our ow

whose ray is as scintillant as the aurora, as effulgent as the sun, and as penetrating as the vibrations of the luminiferous ether itself. It is the light of that love which in all ages has been an unfailing guide to the emancipators of the race.

After we have dutifully admired the great centres of learning; the achievements of industry; the vast individual and corporate enterprises; and the almost fabulous magnificence of luxury reduced to a science; we, in the interest of our class, insist upon penetrating the depths which are shrouded in the darkness of intrigue and deception, the mist of myth and tradition, and the willing obscurity of bigotry and ignorance.

We discover the millions of potential wheat, converted into instruments of destruction, riding at anchor in Christian waters behind the Headland of Suspicion. We discover the uncounted millions of individuals whose productive force is held in abeyance by organization as a military instead of an industrial army. We discover the submerged tenth-only the fraction is underesti mated-and the millions whose life is aborted to a mere parody on its possibilities by the enforcement of soul killing conditions of labor. We discover the slums and unspeakable rookeries which flourish in the centres of population—a standing menace to all health, social or physical. All these things and more we hold up to the reproach of civlization and ask for co-operation in the effort to better the conditions.

We will not accept the standard excuse that "it is human nature and can not be helped." In the Socialist propaganda, as formulated in the platform, we present a remedy that will "help" it, and, although secure in the certainty that economic conditions must of themselves result in the desired culmination in the near future, we deprecate the hasty judgment of the proletarian who "has no use for Socialism."

By his stubborn refusal to recognize the interests of his class he will prolong the power of capital until it has secured directive control of such a vast amount of the natural wealth that the transferance to the people to whom it belongs will have to assume the proportions of a revolution and he will, however unconsciously, have constituted himself an accessory before the fact in that unspeakable crime of the capitalistic calendar-"confiscation."

Individual and Social Responsibility

By Paul H. Castle

Rev. Geo. Scott's reply to my "Open Letter" has forcibly brought to my mind the question of responsibility for crime. If I properly interpret the leading thought of Mr. Scott's reply, it is that the individual must be informed through the gospel if we are to have a condition desired by Socialists; that the individual must be held responsible for his sins and punished accordingly. As Socialism will not destroy individuality of choice in education or industry so we maintain that Socialism will not destroy individual esponsibility along these lines or in the question of moral conduct. It is a stock argument of capitalist supporters to say something like the following: "Oh, you may give some men the best of chances and they would not make anything of themselves. My neighbors, Smith and Iones get their pay on Saturday and by Monday morning the saloon, "gambling hell" and house of ill fame have their money, while their families are in want If men would spend their money wisely they would thrive and could build homes of their own. Socialism overlooks indipeat that Socialism would create condiment of both individual choice and responsibility in questions of economics and ethics. But how is it today. When our opponents make their worn out argument above stated against the new order, it is evident that they have not stopped to consider how much the social and economic systems are responsible for institutions that appeal to the lowest passions and drag men and women into earthly hells. Where the individual is responsible, the individual should are impressed by the beauty spots and bear the blame and receive judgment; but where society is responsible, society should receive the censure of all well meaning people. For example we may take the question of intemperance with which the church has tried to deal

ing all of the teaching on "individual responsibility," all the great and good crusades against this foe of humanity, the consumption of alcoholic beverages is increasing faster than the increase in population. It must, therefore, be admitted that the church has failed thus far in getting down to the root of the evil. Such, indeed, is the case. That all men who fill drunkards' graves are personally responsible to some extent, I do not deny, but in every such case the social order must stand accountable for a large share of the blame. Economic inequality causing a vast army of underpaid and unemployed has driven many men to the wine cup that they might forget their troubles. That they may have made their condition worse by their action is very true, but the fact remains that economic conditions, instead of encouraging these men to be sober and industrious, their temptations and discouragements have driven them in the direction mentioned. Here the social body is responsible. Then again the motive power controlling the liquor traffic is private gain, the money question is at the foundation of the entire business. The great manufacturer of spirituous liquors is in the business to amass a private fortune; the wholesale dealer is in it for his share of exploitation; the retailer or saloonkeeper sells it to the consumer because there is money in it; the "respectable" citizens, including many church members along with the so-called "rabble," vote for the saloon to bring revenue to the city in order to lighten taxes. And so we might go on pointing out every institution which the church opposes as breeders of shame and crime, such as the gambling house, the brothel, etc., and when through with the recital of the corruption of these institutions we could truthfully say that private gain, man's insatiable greed, was the chief cause of their existence. We could agree with the Apostle Paul that "the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil." Here again the social body is to blame. We have made the conditions what they are. Socialism will remove the chief source of crime today, namely, the incentive and opportunity for the shrewd, the cunning and specially favored to amass private fortunes by the exploitation of labor, resulting in increasingly greater economic inequality and industrial servitude.

Society and industry have become so highly organized and so extensively interwoven that the "social responsibility" has become a leading factor in the set tlement of every moral question. For that matter every moral question of the day has some relation to economics. So much are these things true that social responsibility has become, paramount, not because it is the most neglected, but because the evolution of society has forged this question to the front. He who has not a social conscience has set his face against progress and has undertaken to resist the Kingdom of God.

Rev. Scott says in his reply: "Now, am sure that Jesus will settle every thing all right if we take it to Him in prayer." I certainly believe in prayer. I am sure that the philosophy of lesus hrist "wi'l settle everything all right." But the rouble with the church is. prays for one thing and works for another. It prays for the brotherhood of man, the Fatherhood of God, the coming of Christ's Kingdom, and then goes out in the world of industry and upholds principles that make men enemies instead of brothers, that destroy life instead of saving it, that represent God as a tyrant instead of a Father, that brings the kingdom of Satan instead of the kingdom of God.

Again, a great part of the church is praying for a better day but are not dovidual responsibility for crime." I re- ing anything to bring it about. I was always taught there were two essentials tions conducive to the highest develop- in effective prayer. First, pray for the right thing. Second, do all you can yourself to bring that thing to pass.

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XRAYS

I have just returned from investigat-| themselves. They are owned by capiing the effects of the overflow of the talists. In building houses for rent, Des Moins river. The bottoms are inundated and the inhabitants have been philanthropic considerations, but by compelled to move out. They are now business considerations. It is to their living in tents, where the continued rain interest to build them where they will and the chilly atmosphere makes them miserable indeed.

The houses which were flooded were in which the capitalists themselves chiefly two to five room houses, cheaply dwell. The bottoms fulfill the condibuilt, houses that would not know a tions for several reasons. In the first modern improvement if they met it in place, the land is cheap there for the clairvoyant.

Franklin H. Wentworth has pointed expects a workingman to be poor. It is need to show him the inmates. No need heard of a hovel being occupied by anybody but a workingman and his family. Hence it would be nonsense to go out of one's way to prove it.

Why is it that the hovels are always occupied by workingmen? Because the workingmen by their votes permit the capitalists to own the means of production and distribution and compel the worker to yield up the lion's share of the product of his toil in return for an ing a strenuous effort to get himself reopportunity to earn a living. And the only way to get out of the hovel is to vote for Socialism, in other words to vote for the public ownership and operation of the means of production under a Socialist administration, so that the workingman will receive the full product tion of that system and the inauguration of his toil. The worker is doomed to live in a poor house so long as the capitalist system continues.

But to return to the flood. This is not the first time the river has overflowed its banks and inundated the bottoms. Last year the same thing occurred. Ten years ago the same thing occurred. And it occurred previous to that time as well. In all human probability it will occur again within a few years. Everybody knew that it was merely a question of time until it would occur. live in the bottoms, is not that identic-Why then did these people fly in the ally the same as voting to have their mings. And then I began to think that face of danger by living there? Oh, houses flooded? somebody says, because they were a pack of senseless fools. But that is not true. They are people of ordinary ance that they voted to have their houses sense and foresight. They lived in the flooded, but they voted that way just the bottoms because they were compelled to same. The thing necessary to induce

the bottoms? Ah, now we are getting and with an intensity that would stun an them they will go to pieces. There is down to business. They are compelled old party heeler. We, too, have a flood nothing sound in politics but Socialism. to live in the bottoms because that is on our hands, a flood of workers pourthe place where the owners of the ing into the Socialist party. This flood is houses choose to build them. In this, as in every other city, the houses occu- bris of capitalism. And it will not be pied by the workers are not owned by very long about it either.

the street. Now, can you guess what very reason that it is subject to overflow. class of people lived in them? The In the second place, it is so close down working class? Correct: how in the town that an exorbitant rental can be world did you guess it? You must be a exacted on the plea that it saves car fare. And in the third place, it places the homes of the despised and detested workers where they will not offend the out the remarkable fact that everybody eyes of the superior capitalists and their wives and sons and daughters. There also true that any man who sees an old fore, the bottoms are dotted with houses. tumble down shack, guiltless of every To be sure, there are houses for workmodern convenience, can tell at once ingmen in other places also. But when that it is occupied by a workingman. No the others are taken, you simply have to take what you can get. So, I say these of making affidavit to it. Nobody ever people are compelled to live in the bot-But there is another thing which should not be forgotten. These people are compelled to live in the bottoms by

these capitalists are governed, not by

yield the greatest income on the amount invested and at the same time keep them

from injuring the value of the properties

Some of them even had pictures of Teddy the strenuous in their windows, strenuous Teddy who is just now makelected. What deplorable depths of ignorance! The republican and democratic parties stand for the continuation of the capitalist system of industry which compels them to live in the bottoms. Socialism stands for the aboliof one which will make it easy for those who do the mental and manual labor of the world to live in comfortable houses decently located. And yet most of the people are still voting the republican and democratic tickets instead of the Social-

the social system which they keep in ex-

istence by their votes.

When they vote the republican or democratic ticket, they vote to have their houses flooded. This is no stretch of imagination. When they vote for the social system which compels them to

It is true that it was because of ignorthem to change their votes is to remove Why were they compelled to live in the Socialist party is doing on a scale Socialist get the hose fairly turned on old party heeler. We, too, have a flood destined to wash away the worthless de-

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Last night upon my bed I lay (The air was calm, the sky was clear), Perplexed and pondering what to say To those who might assemble here: When suddenly a multitude Of Union soldiers, who had fought And bravely died, about me stood

Whose leader answered to my thought:

Today (he said) let others tell The story of the North and South How hostile charging squadrons fell Before the cannon's blazing mouth; How shricking shot and bursting shell In ghastly furrows piled the dead; Today let not your memories dwell On battle-fields with carnage red.

All these are past; the cannon's roar, The crashing bombshell's hissing shriek, No longer echoes from the shore Of Tennessee or Chesapeake; From Rappahannock's fertile vale To Texas' cattle-covered plain, Now peace and harmony prevail-Prosperity and plenty reign.

And yet, we find that in the fight So long bequeathed from sire to son, The final triumph of the Right Was not at Appomattox won: Although you never more may wield The rifle or the bayonet, Upon another battle-field There's work for you old soldiers yet!

To reunite the land we love. And set the colored bondman free, Alas, would after all but prove A bootless, barren victory If by monopoly or trust, Relentless as the sword of war, White men are crushed into the dust Beneath the wheels of Mammon's car.

Before the foeman's fatal fire In fierce and bloody strife we fell, Or lingered long in dread and dire Malarial swamp or prison hell, In vain, if children slave and die, In squalid ignorance to feed, Beneath the sunny Southern sky. The Northern capitalists' greed.

Machines that equity demands Should benefit the human race But serve, in heartless owners' hands. Competing workmen to displace; So every great invention means Another multi-millionaire, Whose hirelings-also his machines-Subsist on less than prison fare.

Alike the rain and sunshine fall On Federal and Confederate graves; Unquestioningly, over all The wild flowers bloom, the green gras waves:

O ye, who linger to the last, As life draws near its peaceful close, Remember that the war is past, Forget that you were ever foes.

Brave soldiers, who have worn the blue! Brave soldiers, who have worn the gray! Alike to human rights renew Your pledge of fealty today! Unite to strike down every hand That would the weak and poor oppress, Till this becomes indeed the land Of Freedom and of Righteousness! -J. L. McCreery.

"The too old parties" are the words I read the other day. I had a good laugh at this bit of fun, with sarcastic trimthere is lots of truth in this doublebarreled witticism. The democratic log, so to speak, has split with dry rot at the core, and the two main chunks-Cleveland and Bryan-are rolling down the hill in opposite directions. The republicans are pasted together with all sorts that ignorance, and this is exactly what of adhesive plaster, and as soon as the -L. T. Fisher in Los Angeles Socialist.

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SOCIALIST PLATFORM

Adopted at Indianapolis, Ind., 1901.

The Socialist party in convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of Inter-national Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming

object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people.

Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by individual workers. Today, the machine, which is an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. The ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of the livelihood and poverty and misery of the working class, and divides society into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives the capitalist the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social inferiority, political subservience and virtual slavery.

The economic interests of the capitalist class

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The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order

home.

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The democratic, republican, the bourgeois public ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

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italist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism, by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes. While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depends upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices in order to facilitate the attainment of this end. As such means we advocate:

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As such means we advocate:

1. The public ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities, as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and combines; no part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the taxes of the capitalistic class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of the hours of labor of the employes, and to the improvement of the service, and diminishing the rates to the consumers. rates to the consumers.

rates to the consumers.

2. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wages in order to decrease the share of the capitalist and increase the share of the worker in the product of labor.

3. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, sickness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose to be collected from the revenue of the capitalist class, and to be administered under the control of the working class.

capitalist class, and to be administered under the control of the working class.

4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, credit to be used for that purpose in order that the workers be secured the full product

of their labor.

5. The education of all children up to the age of 18 years, and state and municipal aid for books, clothing and food. Equal civil and political rights for men

and women.

7. The initiative and r rendum, proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by their constituents.

But in advocating these measures in steps in the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth, we warn the working class against the so-called public ownership movements as an attempt of the capitalist class to secure governmental control of public utilities for the purpose of obtaining greater security in the exploitation of other industries and not for the amelioration of the conditions of the working class.



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Comrade Jones having been elected a state organizer of Colorado, he will be unable to accept the calls for dates in Iowa and elsewhere. Later in the season Comrade Strickland will probably tour Iowa. We will make full announcement in plenty of time.

National Headquarters Bulletin

"Rockland, Mass., May 25 .- Representative Frederick O. MacCartney died at his home on Pacific street, at 8:50 this evening."

Only four lines of an associated press dispatch, but it carried a load of sorrow to every Socialist heart. A Socialist representative, a member of the party in Massachusetts, a comrade to the Socialists of the world. Whereever the workers of the world have united to attain political supremacy the death of Comrade MacCartney will be felt as a personal loss.

His funeral was held in Rockland last Thursday. In compliance with his last conscious request, Comrade Carey made the address. And having been associated in party work for so many years, no better selection could have been made to perform that sad but loving ser-

SPECIAL ORGANIZING FUND.

Since last report, the following contributions have been made to the special organizing fund:

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National Lecturer John C. Chase has finished his tour in Arkansas and Missouri. He was present at the Arkansas state convention, held May 23, where he gave the comrades the benefit of his experience in forming their state organization. Leaving Arkansas, Comrade Chase filled dates at Thayer, Springfield, Rich Hill, Panama, Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo. During early June he will yet met and canvassed the vote on the work in Tennessee.

National Lecturer John W. Slayton has found the carpenters of Pennsyl- tional committee and the party member vania ready for working class political ship for their information. action. In many places on his tour a local strike has given him the opportunity to explain why the workers must control the government in order to get fair treatment where their labor is concerned. The Pennsylvania trip has been completed. He is now in Ohio, and will go erendum would be materially changed. thence to Indiana.

National Lecturer M. W. Wilkins has had another experience with an old party exists, instead of diminishing it. It politician. The posters announcing the Socialist meeting were torn down at Independence, Ore. When Comrade Wilkins arrived on the scene he soon got a few comrades together, organized a local and challenged the chairman of the republican committee for a debate with the congressional candidate. The chairman accepted, but the candidate had heard of how Wilkins had given a beautiful drubbing to both a republican and a democrat in one evening, and as a consequence he gracefully declined the inevitable honor of being defeated in debate by a Socialist. Comrade Wilkins will enter Washington on the first

Arrangements have been made for Comrade John W. Brown, of Hartford, Conn., to finish Comrade Dan A. White's tour of the New England states. It became necessary for Comrade White to return to his work in Massachusetts, and being on the ground the national secretary was able to get the services of another good worker to take his place. Comrade Brown is well qualified as an

organizer for the Socialist party, and will do good work among the workers in the New England states.

National Organizer John M. Ray is making a successful tour in Tennessee and Georgia, having organized locals at Tullahoma, Sweetwater and Knoxville, Tennessee, and Blue Ridge, Georgia. Requests have come for an organizer in North Carolina and when his present trip has been finished he will probably tour through the industrial centers of that state.

The first 25,000 of the revised edition of the leaflet "Why Socialists Pay Dues" has been exhausted, and the second lot of 10,000 is going fast. These leaflets are sent without cost except for expressage; and they are making party workers in all localities.

The national office is now ready to supply the party emblem. It is a lithographic beauty, flesh colored hands are clasped across a sea colored sea and the words "Socialist Party" and "Workers of the World Unite" are in white letters on a red background. These buttons can be had at one cent each.

The demand for membership due stamps has been so great that the old supply, which was on hand the first of the year, has been exhausted. In the new lot, each stamp bears the union label.

On the Recent Referendum

HAVERHILL, Mass., May 27, 1903. To the National Committee, Socialist Party:

Comrades: I have received from Comrade Clark the motion offered by National Committeeman Mills, of Kansas, under date of May 23, providing "that the recent referendum relating to the headquarters and to the election of a new quorum be declared unintelligible, and that pending further instructions from the membership the headquarters remain it Omaha with Comrades Work, Lovett, Roe, Turner and Untermann acting as the quorum until further and more definite instructions from the party membership," together with a suggestion for a new referendum, and I beg leave to submit my views as national secretary upon the same.

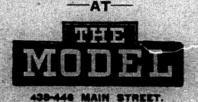
In my opinion the national committee should either decline to act upon or vote down Comrade Mills' motion, especially at this time, for the following reasons:

First. The present quorum has not referendum. An announcement of the votes has merely been made to the na-

Second. A protest from one of the ites (Nebraska) against counting the Ohio vote is now before the national committee for action. Should the national committee decide to sustain the Nebraska protest, the result of the ref-

Comrade Mills' motion tends to increase the confusion he says already will be time for him to make his motion. if he desires to do so, when the national committee has decided whether to count the Ohio vote or not, and the quorum

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has officially canvassed the vote and testified to its correct tabulation.

I do not wish to enter into the merits of Comrade Mill's motion at this time, only to say that, as the official most directly interested and concerned, I must protest against the prolongation of this question of headquarters beyond its present limits, unless such becomes absolutely necessary.

The work of the national office has been hampered and obstructed, the Strickland's argument may be correct, party membership distracted and disgusted, and I have personally been subjected to suspicion and continued insults other. Strickland says: "Probably ever since assuming the position of national secretary, through the activity displayed and feeling aroused over this question. There has been too much of fall of 1901 and it seems that this dead this sort of thing during the past three months for the party membership or Comrade Ricker was on the Appeal staff. myself to desire any more of it.

The simplest and best thing to do is to have the quorum meet as soon as the Iowa as the circular bears the signature national committee has acted on the Ne- of Secretary Jacobs. braska protest, and let the quorum make the official announcement based on its

The vote on the Nebraska protest will close June 8, and I shall return to and work to support myself and family. Omaha in time to have a quorum meeting, held on or very shortly after that of what the private ownership of land Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM MAILLY, National Secretary.

Mailly at MacCartney's Funeral

HAVERHILL, Mass., May 27, 1908. To the National Committee, Socialist

Comrades: Representing the national committee, I have assumed the responsi- ter roads or canals to carry off the surbility for an appropriate wreath in the shape of a national party emblem for the funeral of Comrade MacCartney, which will take place at Rockland, Mass., tomorrow, and I will also try to attend in person as your representative. I hope this will be satisfactory to you. Comrade MacCartney's death is an almost incalculable loss to the movement in Massachusetts.

My mother is growing weaker daily and is being kept alive by stimulants. As I am the only one of the family that she has with her, I shall not leave her until the end. I am in constant attendance upon her aud cannot leave her bedside for long at a time.

I shall return to Omaha as soon as possible. In the meantime Comrade Clark assures me that he will be able to handle the routine work of the office until I return.

Asking your indulgence in the prem-Fraternally yours, ises, I am,

WILLIAM MAILLY, National Secretary.

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From Missouri Valley

MISSOURI VALLEY, May 31, 1903. Dear Comrades: I have received several sample copies of The Iowa Socialist and I am glad that there is such a paper published in Iowa. In No. 33 you published an article by Comrade Strickland which I believe is unwise to publish. but we are fighting capitalism and we should not waste time to criticise each Comrade Ricker is the author of these quotations." I enclose you a circular sent to me by Comrade Ricker in the level rule was printed in Iowa before It further shows that this dead level rule was adopted by the Socialist party of I am living on a farm on the Missouri

bottoms and the outlook for a crop is bad. Most of the land is under water, and I will be compelled to go elsewhere We have here one of the best examples does for the farmer and what our capitalistic government does for him. First, some land holders, objecting to ditches taking up some land that produces nothing but mosquitoes and swamp diseases, and the public should pay more than two prices for the right of way for the ditches. Second, our capitalistic government has done nothing to make betplus water in time of floods. They spend millions for guns, warships, islands, etc., and the farmers continue to vote for the old parties that have done nothing to relieve them of the floods that come to this section every wet season. There will be but a small percentage of a crop here and the farmers are commencing to listen to Socialist philosophy. The Missouri bottom towns would offer a good field for agitators to stir up the farmers. We are planning to organize a local at Missouri Valley next month. I have been working at it for a long time and I hope to succeed this time. Wishing The lowa Socialist success, I am Yours fraterually,

M. J. BUIKHART.

Ohio Notes

convene at Columbus tomorrow and our letter of next week will contain the news from this important gathering. Much interest is manifest at this time and a strong fight will be waged for the ticket this fall in every county in the state.

Father Hagerty held successful meetings in Dubuque, Iowa, and Freeport and Hillsboro, Ill., during the past week. The comrades writing from Hillsboro say: "We have only words of praise and admiration for him. His style in conversation is so friendly and pleasant and he is so entertaining, while on the rostrum his appearanc with his convincing, well modulated tones, and his logic, wit and sarcasm make him a person to be ever remembered. We have learned to love and admire him profoundly." We are arranging to have Father Hagerty make a tour of Ohio just previous to the fall election when he will be able to do excellent work for the cause of Socialism. He will speak at Monett, Mo., and Ryan and Sioux City, Iowa, during June.

H. Howard Caldwell, the well known Socialist speaker and trades unionist, will tour Ohio beginning June 6 or 7. He will come into the state near Wheeling, W. Va., and will work north and west by easy stages and after covering the northern portion of the state he will go onto the southern route. Prof. Geo. Kirkpatrick will commence his tour at Dayton June 6 and work south and east and eventually go onto the northern route covered previously by Caldwell. Doughnuts 2 Doz. 15c. These two speakers are among the best Layer Cake 15c.

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in the Socialist movement and are especially strong in the open air meetings. We bespeak a most successful tour for them in Ohio.

Frank P. O'Hare will on June 2 close most successful tour of the state, having spoken in twenty five of the principal towns in the state, and those who have missed hearing him have indeed missed a treat. We hope to secure him again for the fall campaign.

A new Socialist local has been formed at Canal Dover, Ohio, with a good strong membership to start with. The comrades there announce their determination to build up a good strong working organization and to make their power felt in the future.

Father McGrady held three large and enthusiastic meetings in the Grand Opera House at New Orleans during the past week. The attendance at his meetings are greatly increased by the determined opposition which is always manifested. He has a most convincing way of appealing to the audience and his lectures are always received with marked effect, ending with great ap-W. G. CRITCHLOW.

A sample is an invitation to subscribe.

Again we Socialists want to impress upon the pure and simple trades unionists the futility of trying to better social conditions by the election of "labor" candidates. At Bridgeport, Conn., the city deputy sheriff has been "swearing deputies from the OUTLYING COUN-The state Socialist convention will TRY," because the "labor" mayor was a bit too friendly to the strikers. All the political offices, from the U.S. supreme court down to the bottom of the list must be in the hands of the working class before any permanent relief may be expected.-Chicago Socialist.

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